



**MINUTES OF THE
MARYLAND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
November 6, 2013**

The May meeting of the Maryland Transportation Commission was held on Wednesday, November 6, 2013 at 10:45AM in the Board Room of the Maryland Department of Transportation. The following members were present.

Vice Chairman Mario VillaSanta
MDOT Staff Ian Beam
MDOT Staff Vicki Schittone
Charles Deegan
Michael Moore
Elmer Horsey
Gary Simpson
Carol Petzold
Catherine Riley
George Littrell, Jr.
Micah Watson

Vice Chairman Mario VillaSanta called the meeting to order at 10:45AM in lieu of Chairman Trivedi's absence. Mr. Beam stated that the minutes for the October MTC meeting would be available in December.

The Vice Chair asked Mr. Beam if there were any dedication requests. Mr. Beam stated that there were two possible upcoming dedications and asked the commission to please refer to the map handout of the City of Cumberland. Mr. Beam stated that the person requesting for this dedication's name is Robert Raft and is on behalf of the Vietnam Veterans Association – Chapter 172. Mr. Raft would like to have this specific route named and not made a dedication and the location would be on I-68; specifically, the section referred to as the Cross Town Bridge. Currently, SHA has concerns regarding safety and sight distance. No official paperwork has been submitted for this dedication.

The second possible dedication request would be made in honor of U.S. Navy SEAL Patrick Feeks, of Edgewater, MD. Mr. Beam stated that Mr. Feeks lost his life in a helicopter crash in Afghanistan. The area being requested is the MD 2 Bridge over the South River. Currently there are no controversies that Mr. Beam is aware of in this general area. [UPDATE: Bridge was later found by SHA to have been previously named, (although not signed) as the Anne Arundel Veterans Memorial Bridge.] Mr. Micah Watson asked Mr. Beam if the MTC would have this dedication at the next month's meeting, and Mr. Beam's response was he is hopeful the necessary paperwork will be submitted for December's meeting.

Vice Chairman Mario VillaSanta asked Mr. Beam about any additional items and Mr. Beam stated that Dave Fleming, the CFO of MDOT was supposed to present and explain the trust fund, but was summoned to a meeting with the Governor and was therefore unable to attend.

Mr. Beam then provided a Consolidated Transportation Program (CTP) Tour Overview to the commission. The CTP Tour entails the Secretary and Modal Administrators visiting each of the State's 23 counties and Baltimore City to present the Draft CTP and discuss the 6 year Capital Program for Transportation to local elected officials, state legislators and citizens. Mr. Beam

then informed the staff that the Regional Planners role is to facilitate the meeting and troubleshoot any issues prior to the Secretary arriving. Mr. Beam passed around one of the CTP books that is internally passed around and presented to the Secretary. Mr. VillaSanta asked if this book was the same for each county. Mr. Beam stated that each book is specific to each specific county. The Commission then requested to be on the list to receive the CTP Tour Schedule.

Mr. Beam then stated that the December 4th meeting will be held at BWI where the commission will be given a tour, this meeting will also be the regular meeting for December. MAA Administrator Paul Wiedefeld will address the commission prior to the start of the tour. The January 8th meeting will be a briefing on the upcoming 2014 Legislative Session and will be given by the Office of Government and Policy Affairs. [UPDATE: Pending dedication requests will now be heard as well on Jan. 8]

Hearing no other items of business, the Commission adjourned at 11:20AM until December 4, 2013.